

**Alto Honored** 

Photo by Terrance J. Brennan

Joe Altobelli, right, newly-named manager of the Baltimore Orioles, has been named honorary chairperson of the St. Joseph's Villa Building Campaign. At left is Sister Judith McKay, SSJ, executive director of the Villa. The campaign leadership hopes to raise \$1.35 million to build a new physical education and recreation center, and renovate existing buildings on the Dewey Avenue campus. Altobelli accepted the honor at a reception at the University Club on Monday, Jan. 10. St. Joseph's Villa is a residential treatment center for emotionally handicapped children, adolescents, and their families.

Viewpoint: Sisters Reflect



By Sister Margaret Brennan, SSJ

### **Following** A Path Of Peace

Not long ago we had a little trouble at St. Joseph's House, where I work. An argument over some trivial disagreement ended in some blows, and I rushed into the waiting room, took one of the men by the arm, and began, "Please, this is -'We know," another man said, grinning as he echoed words he had heard me say many times before, "this isa house of peace." Everyone laughed at the incongruity of it all, and the fight was at an end.

It struck me that peace in all of its forms is incongruous, paradoxical. As Christians we live in paradox: we are surrounded by materialism, and we try to live simply; we see the exploitation of the poor and helpless, and we say we must embrace all with love: we live in the midst of violence, and we work for peace. Christ's call to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, to pray for those who persecute us seems foolish and impractical, and certainly goes against the grain of our society. It is easy to get caught up in the whirlwind of security at any cost, of upward mobility, of jingogovernmental istic propaganda which plays on our fears. It is easy to distort the meaning of

With this column the Diocesan Sisters' Council begins its third series of articles by Sisters in our diocese. In this series 15 Sisters from a great variety ministries and backgrounds will reflect on The Ways of Peace. The paths of peace are many some global and controversial, some simple and mundane — because peace manifests itself in so many

At St. Joseph's House we see people every day who have fallen through the fragile "safety net' promised by our present administration people who are hungry, homeless, lonely, aging; people who walk the violent streets warily, knowing that anonymity and furtiveness are their best defense against those who shun them or despise them or prey on them. Alienated from family, friends and coworkers, they grasp what they need simply to live, and turn to us for what is necessary for survival. Peace, to them, means a full stomach, a place to sleep out of the killing cold. a smile of recognition from someone who knows and accepts them in spite of their situation. They are not particularly interested in nuclear disarmament because they live with their own personal time-bombs and are satisfied with any peace that a day can bring

This is an extreme example, but it does broaden the meaning of peace. What is peace to a family who sits at the deathbed of a loved one? What is peace to an elderly woman waiting out her days in a nursing home or a lonely room? What is peace to a child who struggles with a physical or emotional handicap, or to the parent or teacher who struggles with him? What is peace to a religious leader who must hold fast to the gospel of love, while others sometimes his own people - call him naive or manipulated or foolish?

We hope that this series will open us all to our common vocation to be peacemakers. May all our ways be gentle and all our paths be peace.

Sister Margaret Brennan, SSJ, is director of St. Joseph's House of isher Offers Family Course
the life in the 80s and Teaching Children about individuals learn to comand continuing until Feb. 14.

teaching children about sexuality are the topics of two non-credit courses offered by the Office of Continuing Education at St. John Fisher College this Winter.

"The Family: Challenges for the 80s" will explore the special challenges to families in modern America. Father Robert Collins, former director of the diocesan Office of Family Life, will be the instructor. The 10-session course will be from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m., beginning Tuesday, Jan. 18, and concluding March 22. Fee is \$45 for one person; \$65 per couple.

"Parents Talk Love -

### Kodak Gives \$1.4 Million **To Schools**

The Eastman Kodak Company recently announced contributions of \$1.4 million to area colleges and educational organizations.

Schools and the amounts received are: Colgate Rochester Divinity School-Hall-Crozer Bexlev Theological Seminary. \$10,000; Monroe Community College, \$55,000; Nazareth College of Rochester. \$50,000: Roberts Wesleyan College, \$25,000; Rochester Institute of Technology, \$435.000: University of Rochester, \$600,000; and St. John Fisher College. \$149,000.

In related funding, Kodak gave \$95,000 to the Program for Rochester to Interest Students in Science and Math (PRIS2M) and \$7,000 to the local Ralph Scholarship Fund. Bunche

#### **New Number** At Social **Security Office**

As of Dec. I when the new telephone directory went into effect, the downtown Social Security Office at 100 State St. had telephone number changes. The number for general inquiries, 263-6200, was cancelled with two numbers replacing it:

263-6292 for those people whose last names start with A through K.

263-6216 for those people whose last names start with L through Z.

Residents in the western part of Monroe County should call Social Security's Ridgemont Office at 225-9200.

#### More **Thanks** Given

A number of individuals were cited last week for their help in the Courier-Journal Christmas Fund.

Singled out for recognition Maurice Tierney, executive director of diocesan Catholic Charities, the agency which distributes money from the fund, were management and store staff of Star-Bell Markets. They were cited for processing "more than 3,000 food vouchers in a very short period of time.

Also thanked were members of Rochester Press Radio Club: David Nolan, president; Michael O'Brien, WVOR, and Mickey Williams, Eastman Kodak Co.

Sexuality' is designed for couples, single parents. teachers, and all who are close to children as they grow. Father Matthew Kawiak, associate pastor at St. James Church and Susan Sullivan, teacher at St. John the Evangelist School in Spencerport, will instruct the eightsession course 7-9 p.m., beginning Monday, Jan. 24, and concluding March 21. Class is limited to 40 students and the fee is \$35 for one person; \$60 per couple.

"Returning to College," a non-credit course, will give students the opportunity to experience the college setting while exploring their education and career objectives in relation to their current life situations. The course, limited to 15 students, will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 25, and concluding Feb. 22. Fee is \$36.

"Writing Better for Business," a non-credit writing course, is designed to help

#### Lincoln **Promotes** Leahy

Timothy E. Leahy has been elected a senior vice president and appointed manager, administrative services division, for the NBW Division, Lincoln First Bank.

Before joining Lincoln in 1979, Leahy was superintendent of schools for the Rochester diocese. He has served the bank as manager of corporate personnel operations. He joined Lincoln as vice president and personnel liaison, personnel administration.

He is director and treasurer of the Ralph Bunche Scholarship Fund, Rochester Jobs Inc., a director of Birthright, a member of the parish council at Our Lady of Lourdes, and chairman of the five-year school planning committee at Lourdes.

municate more effectively with words. It will be from 8:15 to 9:30 p.m., beginning Thursday, Jan. 20, and ending Feb. 24. There is a \$50 fee.

"Presentational Speaking for Business" is a non-credit course designed to enable the participants to prepare and deliver effective presentations to groups in business and professional settings. The class is limited to 15 students and will be from 6 to 9 p.m., beginning Monday, Jan. 31,

There is a \$45 fee.



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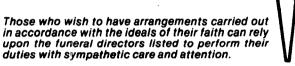
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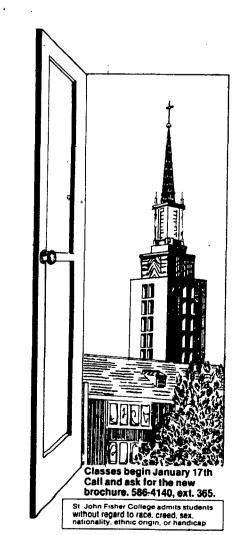
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